

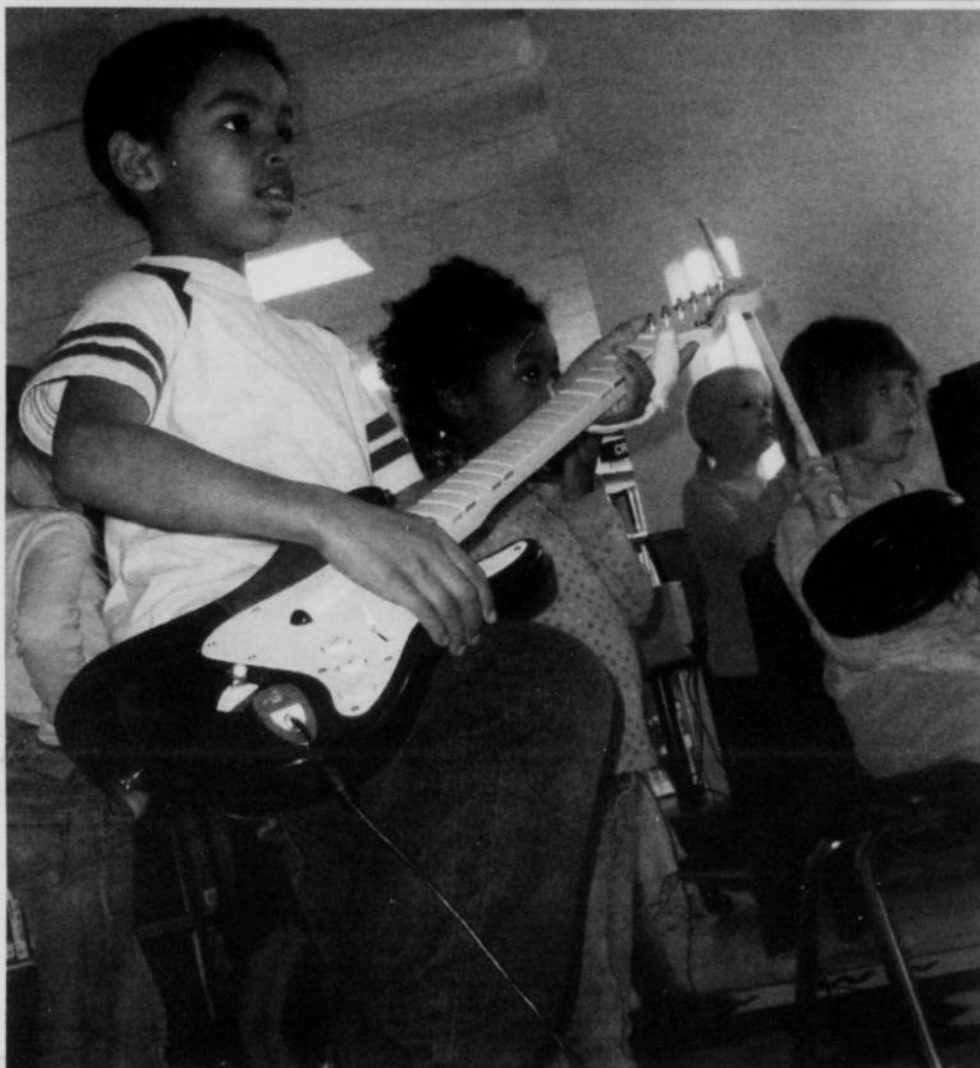
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**ROCKING FOR LITERACY** – Toban Epp, 7, and his sister Kiersten, 5, get in tune for Family Literacy Day, Jan 27. The Didsbury Library set up Rock Band for children to play as part of the day's singing for literacy theme.

## Sled dog race is on

**TAMARA CUNNINGHAM**  
*Didsbury Review*

Two thousand people are expected to drift into this community over the weekend to watch the fourth annual Rosebud Run Sled Dog Classic.

And trail master, Bill Windsor, is ready for them.

"It's on. I don't know how nice and smooth the trail is, but it's race ready," he said.

Last week, the Rosebud

Run society postponed the event after a 14-day Chinook made the trail unsafe for sleighs.

"We were able to get out there with equipment to fix the trail and the weather took care of the rest ... so we are going forward with the event on Feb. 6 and 7," Windsor said.

Beginning this Saturday, 50 teams registered for the event will be arriving from places across British

Columbia and Alberta.

Hans Appelman, who won first place in the Mush Rush event Jan. 1, will be competing in the six dog purebred category, while his son, Ivar, and daughter, Nathalie, skijor in the four mile race.

The event will also feature six-year-old Lilah Fawcett of Whistler in the juniors and Al Magaw, a 33-year race veteran, in the six dog open.

The race, which will kick off at 8:30 a.m., Saturday and end 3 p.m. Sunday, will not be offering bus services down to the track as its done in the past. The hope is any money raised will go solely to the ALS Society of Alberta. The event is free but donations are welcome.

Onlookers can instead park in a cleared area beside the sewer lagoons, located directly across from the race site.



## Provincial funding cuts to blame for scale-back

**TAMARA CUNNINGHAM**  
*Didsbury Review*

Town council will be trimming back public services this month as it prepares for massive cutbacks in provincial funding.

Civic leaders across Alberta were warned this year that the provincial budget - which was to include the first full installment of a \$1.4 billion Municipal Sustainability Initiative - will only include 2009's offerings.

The budget comes out Feb. 9 and while some municipalities are waiting to take their cue from the final figures, Didsbury is acting now.

"We know we are going to lose a lot of money as far as funding and thought we'd better look to make that up somewhere instead of waiting to go hat in hand to residents with higher taxes," said Mayor Brian Wittal.

"Did we jump the gun? It was talked about ... and I hope (our decision) wasn't premature."

The town - which expects to lose over a million in MSI funding this year - fired five town employees and is preparing to cut back services.

Last week, the municipality said the reason for the scaleback was a \$2 million shortfall for a storm water management project - either they raised taxes by 10 to 12 per cent or cut back staff and public services.

But it isn't that simple, said James Reichenbacher, chief financial officer.

The town already paid a third or its \$2 million portion of the \$6 million storm water management project with an Alberta Municipal Infrastructure Program grant - money that usually funds roads, sewers and other infrastructure builds.

The decision was made last January and now the town has to find the dollars to fix and maintain its infrastructure and contribute its promised portions to large builds, such as the heating and ventilation system at the Didsbury pool and sewer lagoon expansion.

"We are facing challenges because of capital project decisions we have made and have to live with ... the funds still have to come from somewhere," Reichenbacher said.

That the town is no longer getting promised MSI funding has also forced leaders to make hard decisions, he said.

Based on a letter from Ray Danyluk, then municipal affairs minister, Didsbury predicts it will get \$331,000 instead of the 1.325 million it had banked on.

"Government funding has a big part in all of this. They promised us MSI grants would be more significant this year ... then the economy goes and the rug is pulled from under us," said Roy Brown, chief administrative officer.

Alberta Association of Urban Municipalities president, Darren Aldous, said civic leaders are anxious to hear the exact numbers MSI funding will offer this year and expects some infrastructure projects could be postponed.

News reports say Red Deer's council voted last month not to build a civic centre until at least 2020, while Olds has worked to prioritize its builds for 2010.

"It's pretty obvious that after hearing the provincial government has to find two billion in this year's budget, everyone is nervous," Aldous said.

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**VISITING TIME** • Eddie LaRocke visits with Cooper, a bichon/shih tzu cross belonging to Genevieve Andrews.

Carla Victor/Didsbury Review

## Dogs win patients' hearts

TAMARA CUNNINGHAM  
Didsbury Review

An eight-year-old volunteer has pawed her way into the hearts of local hospital patients and elderly.

Her mere presence is enough to cast smiles and cheer. "When I bring in Molly, people just come alive ... they take comfort from her," said Ruth Johnston.

For the last five years, Johnston has been bringing her German schnauzer into the hospital to bring optimism and joy to patients in the long-term care facility.

Molly makes her rounds two or three times a month, cuddling up to patients who coo over her stolen kisses and soulful eyes and feed her table scraps.

"When I bring her to the hospital she gets really excited, almost as if she knows she is doing something important," Johnston said.

"And I believe that keeping people company - especially if they don't usually get visits - is an important job."

Johnston, who used to work at the hospital, saw many of the residents go without visits. They spent their whole life working or entertaining and then suddenly they were alone, she said.

"It really got to me and I wondered if Molly, who really loves people, could help brighten up their day with a little company."

She and her dog began to make rounds under the hospital's pet therapy program - an initiative that brings in dogs, cats, horses and rabbits for residents to take comfort from.

Molly was a big hit, especially later when Johnston's husband was admitted to long-term care.

"When I went down to see him, Molly would come. She'd be by his chair when he ate meals or on his lap when I took him for a ride around the hospital," she said.

"He looked forward to those visits with his dog so much ... and when other residents saw Molly was there, they'd want to spend time with her too."

The schnauzer is one of five canines that visit residents three times a month in long-term care. Another 13 pooches were approved as volunteers last week.

"I was blown away by the response. These are people

who are willing to share their pet's unconditional love with hospital patients," said Patty Heath, recreation therapist for the Didsbury hospital.

The program, which has been running for over 20 years, sparks conversation among patients and helps to bring a sense of normalcy and pleasure, Heath said.

"I don't really know how to put the bond animals have with people into words. They just provide a level of comfort, residents can't get from other people."

Genevieve Andrews chuckles when she recalls a few of her visits to the long-term care ward with her three-year-old bichon cross.

"I went up to this one lady, who was looking a little down and asked how she was doing. She said she was OK, but didn't really want to talk," Andrews said.

"Then I told her Cooper was here and her whole face lit up. She didn't care for conversation with me but Cooper was a whole different story."

Andrews has been bringing her charismatic dog to the hospital for the last two years, a few times a month.

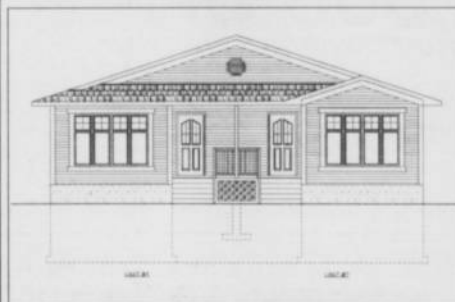
When nurses see her scruffy pooch, they pop out of their offices to give him a pet and help her open the door to the long-term care ward. Patients' faces glow at the first glimpse of Cooper.

"Hello Cooper. Come here Cooper," calls Eddie LaRocke, as he leans down to scratch the dog's ears.

He can't get enough of the little dog, feeding him treats from a bag Andrews provides and holding him on his lap. The little pooch, wriggling on his knee, reminds him of the chihuahua he left at home, he says.

"A lot of people used to have dogs but had to give them away, perhaps to come here. So having a visitor like this reminds them of what it's like to have a pet," Heath said.

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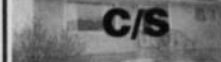
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Sat Feb 6	12:00 pm Okotoks vs Didsbury Away
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<b>ATOMS 2</b>	
Sat Feb 6	5:45 pm Didsbury vs Indus
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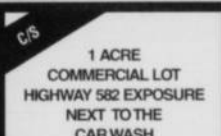
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# Opinion

## Editorial Identity security key to personal safety

DAN SINGLETON



A new federal law targeting offenders who steal other people's identity in order to commit criminal activities is a good step in protecting the personal security of law-abiding Canadians.

And while Bill S-4 certainly won't end the scourge of identity theft, it is a good indication of just how serious the federal government and the police are taking this growing criminal enterprise.

Bill S-4 will give police and justice officials important new tools in the fight against identity theft, one of the fastest-growing crimes throughout North America, said Justice Minister Rob Nicholson.

"Our government believes Canadians are entitled to have their identities and other valuable information protected to the highest degree possible," said Justice Minister Nicholson.

"They will have greater protection against identity theft and police will be better equipped to stop these crimes before they are committed."

Under the legislation, which comes into effect this month, three new Criminal Code offences targeting the early stages of identity-related crime are created, each subject to five-year maximum prison sentences:

- Obtaining and possessing identity information with the intent to use the information deceptively, dishonestly, or fraudulently in the commission of a crime;
- Trafficking in identity information, an offence that targets those who transfer or sell information to another person with knowledge of, or recklessness as to, the possible criminal use of the information;
- Unlawfully possessing or trafficking in government-issued identity documents that contain information of another person.

The new law also permits the courts to order, as part of a sentence, that an offender be required to pay restitution to a victim of identity theft or identity fraud for costs associated with their efforts to rehabilitate their identity, including the cost of replacement cards, documents and correcting their credit history.

Armed with this new legislation, police will hopefully be able to put more identity theft criminals where they belong, behind bars.

Yet individuals must also continue to be vigilant when it comes to making sure they are not victimized in the first place.

Time and time again police and others have given people the very good advice to make the protection of their personal papers, documents, credit cards, computer passwords and other personal information a day-to-day priority. It's good advice that should be followed.

Like other types of crimes, identity theft isn't just a big-city crime anymore; it has already found its way into the homes of West Central Albertans, victimizing families and taking up valuable police and court resources.

Hopefully this new law will help protect everyone's personal security. And it probably will too - as long as residents continue to do their part.



## Letters to the editor Informed drug use not dangerous

Re: Parents talk drugs

Here are some facts parents never consider:

1) Junk food will kill many times more Canadians this year than all illegal drugs combined.

2) In 5,000 years of recorded history, marijuana has yet to kill a single person.

3) The cellphone your kid uses every day is many times more likely to cause cancer than the pot he buys over the cellphone.

4) Recent science out of Germany shows how cannabinoids stimulate the body's production of TIMP-1, which helps healthy cells resist cancer invasion.

[www.webmd.com/cancer/news/20071226/pot-slows-cancer-in-test-tube](http://www.webmd.com/cancer/news/20071226/pot-slows-cancer-in-test-tube)

We live in a culture that glamorizes sex, fun, danger, thrills, law-breaking, risk-taking, rule-breaking, power, wealth-acquisition, and

authority-resisting. We advertise booze, fast cars, fast food, violent movies and video games, and drugs of all kinds, right on TV! Then we tell kids that "drugs are bad". Does anyone still believe that kids don't notice this wild hypocrisy? A ruse by any other name...

There is also a misconception in our society that suggests that only drug-abstinence is to be encouraged and admired. Telling kids to "never" use certain drugs is like telling them to never see a certain genre of movie, never go to an amusement park or exotic country, or never do anything at all that may be both risky and fun. It teaches them to be afraid of new things, instead of curious, and as history has shown, fortune favours the adventurous.

Sensible, moderate, well-informed drug use is no more harmful, dangerous, or immoral than any one of

dozens of other activities humans participate in every day. And if you think "drugs" have nothing good to offer society, then throw away every CD you own.

For those keen on teaching kids about drugs without all the hyperbole, spin, sloganeering, and bald-faced lies of the standard "education" programs, I recommend the Canadian Students For Sensible Drug Policy website at (<http://www.cssdp.org>), the Educators For Sensible Drug Policy website at (<http://www.efsdp.org>), or the Law Enforcement Against Prohibition website at (<http://www.leap.cc>).

**Russell Barth**  
Federally Licensed Medical  
Marijuana User  
Drug Reform Analyst and  
Consultant

## Oil sector needs democratic controls

The Tories and Liberals are busy placating the big oil companies; the Tories because they are in a panic over the fall of investment in oil, the Liberals to demonstrate their subservience to big business.

On the surface it appears that Alberta would be in dire straits without the private oil companies to extract wealth from the ground but this is a purely empirical view; many other countries in the world get the oil from beneath their feet without relying on the private sector. Let us take Norway, for example, where the democratically elected government takes the risks and the people benefit from wealth that would otherwise go to private profit, or Venezuela, which has a state oil company and has taken controlling shares in private

companies to ensure that a good measure of the wealth from oil is used to improve living standards.

The Alberta Tories are compelled to back down on their modest changes to oil revenues, to our cost, because of the fall of investment in the oil industry, which is really a strike by capital and in effect blackmail. The Tories will now remove any threat of real regulation while claiming otherwise, just like their claims that they are not intent on privatizing the health service.

The oil sector, like the rest of the economy, requires democratic control and planning. One needs only to regard the danger of the tarsands and the paucity of regulation that is destroying the health of people to see that this is urgent.

It is not possible to plan something that you do not control and you cannot control something that you do not own.

Instead of privatizing we should be nationalizing. Our health service is immensely superior to the private system in the United States where millions have little or no access to treatment, so why not control the oil sector?

An NDP plan is required for the nationalization and democratic control of the commanding heights of the economy, including the large oil companies, in order to guarantee investment, a vibrant economy, secure jobs, good wages and working conditions.

**Keith Norman Wyatt**  
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#### REGULAR TOWN COUNCIL MEETING:

Tuesday, February 2, 2010 at 7:00 pm in Council Chambers

#### MUNICIPAL PLANNING COMMISSION:

Wednesday, February 10, 2010 at 4:30 pm in Council Chambers

#### 2010 BUDGET MEETING (for the Town of Didsbury):

Monday, February 22, 2010 at 9:00 am in Council Chambers

#### LIFELINE SOCIETY MEETING: Annual Meeting

Monday, March 8, 2010 at 10:00 am in Council Chambers

*The Town Office will be closed the second Friday of every month from Noon to 1:00 pm (next date: February 12, 2010)*

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*Alana Gibson, Development Officer*

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### PUBLIC NOTICE 2010 BUDGET MEETING for the Town of Didsbury

**When: February 22 from 9:00 a.m. until 3:00 p.m.**  
**Where: Didsbury Town Office – Council Chambers**

This session is open to the public to observe and listen to Council discussions and hear the presentation of business plans and budgets for all municipal departments and Council.

For further information or any questions, please contact James Reichenbacher, Chief Financial Officer at 335-7359 or by email at [jreichenbacher@didsbury.ca](mailto:jreichenbacher@didsbury.ca).

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- **BABY DROP IN WITH PUBLIC HEALTH NURSE** - 1st and 3rd Thursday mornings every month, 9:30 am - 11:00 am. An excellent opportunity to have your baby weighed, talk to the Public Health Nurse about any concerns or questions, and meet other parents with babies.
- **ACTIVE PARENTING** - Families everywhere are engaging in frustrating struggles for power. We're offering a video series designed to teach you a method of parent and problem-solving skills that will help you prepare your children to meet the challenges life will pose. 6 sessions February 2 - March 9 at Didsbury Neighborhood Place, 7:00 pm - 9:00 pm. No cost for this course.
- **WEE SIGN** - This one session includes 6 classes using songs and poems to sign to your baby. We'll be learning basic signs, family signs, animal signs, health and safety signs to communicate to your child. It is okay to bring your baby to class, but not mandatory as this is a long time for them to sit. Designed for 0 - 18 months old. February 12, 1:30 pm - 4:30 pm. Cost is \$35.00 + GST.
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- **SPORTS FOR SHORTS** - March 1 - April 5
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*This posting will remain open until a suitable candidate is found.*



## In and Around Didsbury

Marge St. Clair

Two weeks ago was a great week at the Curling Rink when 24 teams enrolled for the Seniors Annual Bonspiel. Mayor Brian Wittal welcomed the curlers on Monday and on Tuesday, all the kitchen volunteer workers set out a delicious roast beef dinner for all, preceded by Grace said by Mr. Dave Neufeld.

### The results are:

**A Event** - 1. Dennis Remillard - Olds with Dick Smethurst, Ben Newton, John Kennedy. 2. Dale Holmes - Olds with Dennis Wilkins, Lynn Wilkins and Ray Hehr. 3. Al Molnar - Carstairs. 4. Clarence Martin - Torrington.

**B Event** - 1. Bob Brown - Olds with Garrett Funkhauser, Jerry Schindeler, George Terry. 2. Gerry Jamieson - Innisfail with Pat Shea, Alice Shea and Elaine Jamieson. 3. Ian Cook - Olds. 4. Garry Anning - Olds.

**C Event** - 1. Jim Richardson - Bowden with John Waugh, Hugh Hargreaves and Larry Nelson. 2. Jim Thomson - Olds with Marshall Cullen, Bev Cullen and Jean Owens. 3. Ray Desgagne - Didsbury. 4. Aksel Pederson - Olds.

**D Event** - 1. Eric Allen - Didsbury with Frank Neufeld, Grant McCulloch and Isabel Pitkanen. 2. Marv Smith - Olds with Jim Loy, Chuck Fairbairn and Joe Hoedl. 3. Doris Neufeld - Olds. 4. Norma Clarke - Carstairs.

### Fri. Feb. 5

You are welcome to come to the 5-0 Club to play cribbage starting at 7 p.m. Coffee and goodies served.

### Sun. Feb. 7

The Annual Turkey Supper is being held at the Redeemer Lutheran Church from 3 p.m. to 6 p.m. Everyone welcome.

### Mon. Feb. 8

The annual general meeting of the 5-0 Club is being held at the club at 1:30 p.m. All members urged to attend. New residents to town 50+ most welcome to come and join in.

### Tues. Feb. 9

The annual general meeting of the Didsbury & District Hospital Auxiliary will be held in the Assembly Room in Unit 4 at the hospital starting at 2 p.m. Mr. Vern Good has been invited to speak on Estate Planning.

At the annual meeting of the Didsbury Agricultural Society, the following will form the Executive: President - Craig Anderson; Past President - Ken Anderson; Vice President - Glen Chernow; 2nd Vice President - Chris Israelson; Secretary - Ralene Papke; Treasurer - Sheri Wareman.

The upcoming events of 2010 will be listed later.

### Wed. Feb. 10

There will be a Valentine Potluck Dinner at the 5-0 Club starting at 12:30 p.m. Bring your favourite meat dish, veggies, salad or dessert and enjoy.

### Wed. Feb. 17

Please phone 403-861-7826 to make an appointment with Connie's Foot Care as she will be at the 5-0 Club starting at 9 a.m.

### Wed. Feb. 17

This is the day of the Community Bus Trip to Stage West in Calgary leaving the complex at 9:30 a.m. Hopefully you have your money in to Bea by now.

### Mon. Feb. 22

The Community Bus is going to the Cross Iron Mills Mall in Balzac leaving the complex at 10 a.m. and returning at 2:30 p.m. Phone Bea at 403-335-3058 to reserve your seat. Also for the Casino Trip to Calgary on Wed. Feb. 24 leaving the complex at 3:30 p.m.

## RCMP volunteers swear in Auxiliaries can't get enough of emergency services

TAMARA  
CUNNINGHAM  
Didsbury Review

Pat Dodman already juggles career and volunteer firefighting, now he's thrown an auxiliary position into the act.

The Didsbury resident was one of two new auxiliary officers sworn in at the detachment, January, in an effort to plump up patrols.

"They are extremely important ... as our second set of eyes and ears," said Sgt. Jeff Jacobson.

The detachment has been operating without auxiliaries - trained volunteers - for over two years and needed extra bodies to complement their services to the community.

After completing nearly 200 hours of training, Dodman and Graham Sayer will be taking state-

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GRAHAM SAYER

ments, accompanying police on bar walks and taking part in community events.

It will be a tough balancing act for Dodman, who works for Rocky View County as a firefighter EMT (emergency medical technician) and a volunteer firefighter in Didsbury. But he's willing to give it a try if it means helping his community.

"(Emergency services) is a lifestyle and I have always done it because I enjoy helping people. This is one other way to do that," he said.

"I've always been interested in policing and I know they need help - quite a bit actually - so I thought this would (do that) in some ways."

Dodman has his uniform and is just switching his shoulder patch to say auxiliary before he hits the

streets.

"I'm roaring to go," he said.

Sayer is also looking forward to getting started. He was sworn in two weeks ago in front of family and constables, after years of wanting to become a volunteer.

"This is something I have wanted to do for a long time ... it's just always interested me to be involved in the community this way and to help these guys out," he said.

Sayer grew up in Didsbury and moved back with his family five years ago after travelling across the western provinces. He works as a paramedic in Calgary and a real estate investor.

## Assault suspect turns self in

TAMARA  
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Didsbury Review

turn himself in.

Police had been searching for the suspect for three months and recently enlisted the help of the public. Pictures of the man, described as balding with a pockmarked face and moustache, were released in hopes it would lead a lead.

According to the RCMP, a man had attacked Thompson on the street outside of Barley's Pub in Carstairs, after he was confronted about an argument with Thompson's

friends. The 28-year-old was hit on the head with a weapon and hospitalized with a fractured skull.

Gray - a Calgary man arrested in connection with the assault when he turned himself in - is not considered a public threat and was released on condition until his court date on Feb. 8, 2010.

Sgt. Jeff Jacobson said people often prefer to turn themselves in rather than be hunted by police,

though the act is still looked on favourably by police.

"If somebody knows they've been identified, quite often rather than have warrants come out for them and be afraid that they need to be looking over their shoulder that the police are coming for them, quite often they'll turn themselves in."

Gray is charged with a list of offences including assault with a weapon and aggravated assault.

## Budget

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"But I haven't heard too much about members doing massive scalebacks yet ... they are waiting to see the budget first."

Didsbury will be making its decision about which services to cut on Feb. 22, two weeks after the provincial government reveals its budget.

Groups who have requested funding are concerned their services will be on the chopping block.

"I am wondering if (Youth 360) will be one of those things cut ... it seems to be one of the first (services) brought up when there's talk about lean budgets," said Sharon Wagner, whose son attends the Youth 360 program.

"I don't know where the money should come from but it shouldn't be from this. The town needs more for young people, not less."

Inez Kosinski, library manager, is also feeling nervous.

The library board has

asked council for \$140,000 - a \$25,000 increase from last year - to make wage parity and maintain services growing in popularity.

"If they are thinking about cutting services because of the budget then I wonder how they will see our request for more dollars," she said.

Kosinski hasn't seen scalebacks like this since 1993 when town departments were required to cut 20 per cent from their budgets. It meant the library had trimmed back \$20,000, which included

doing without a program coordinator and implementing library fees for the first time.

"We managed, though things were hard for awhile. I don't know how we'd do the same thing today," she said.

Library use has gone up since 1993 and operations are so tight, there is little room to cut back service.

"I understand the position the town is in - I understood it when I first put together our request ... but people are using our library more than ever and we need that money."

### RAMBLER ATOM 2 TEAM SETTING THE STAGE!

The Rambler Atom 2 Team is on the right path. Playing their hearts out they are on a steady march towards securing a playoff position in the Central Alberta Hockey League. Currently in second place in their division with a scant 6 games remaining they are just a few sweet victories away from destiny. Team growth is clear when you see the ferocity displayed against their arch rivals the Cochrane Rockies. With success at the doorstep, each time these titans battle the Ramblers show that they are the ones destined by hard work, drive and determination to come out on top. Quoting their favourite song, "It's the eye of the tiger, it's the thrill of the fight, rising up to the challenge of our rival!" The Ramblers would like to thank all of their coaches, manager and parents for all of their time and dedication making this an already successful season. Come out and cheer us on to victory! Go Ramblers Go!



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# Firehouse News

The month of January has been sporadic based on the types of calls we have received.

They have been from a single car rollover to a strange odor detected in the family home. In total we have responded to 15 calls with five motor vehicle collisions, two medical, four fire-related and four miscellaneous. As for our weekly training, it's been toned down a bit with every member going over all the equipment and procedures and noting what needs a little more practice.

With the weather being as typical as Alberta can get, there are a few hazards that we see on a regular basis due to the sub-zero temperatures. Happening on a seemingly regular basis around the county in past years is that in mobile homes and unfinished houses, piping running under the floor and exposed to the elements can freeze up. Some seeing the only remedy to the frozen situation is to light a propane tiger torch and instantly melt the pipes. This option does work but on many occasions to the extreme where the homeowner will leave it unattended causing the whole house to go up in flames.

Another hazard that is seen and possibly just as dangerous is the amount of plugs forced into one power outlet. I noticed one house that we responded to for a medical lift assist where the elderly person had over 10 plugs sticking out in every direction from the living room socket. The items ranged from the television and side lamp to her toaster which had to be in the same room as everything else. With such a burden on

one outlet, the socket can become overloaded, spark and create a fire. Might seem like a long stretch but it has happened in the past, catching the owner off guard.

As spring nears, the department is looking to welcome in new members. An emergency first responder has a few guidelines that need to be met before he/she can join the team and among them is a minimum Class 5 driver's licence, clean driver's abstract, police background check and first aid with CPR.

It is also beneficial to have an employer that will allow for a volunteer to go out on calls during the day – when we are most short-staffed.



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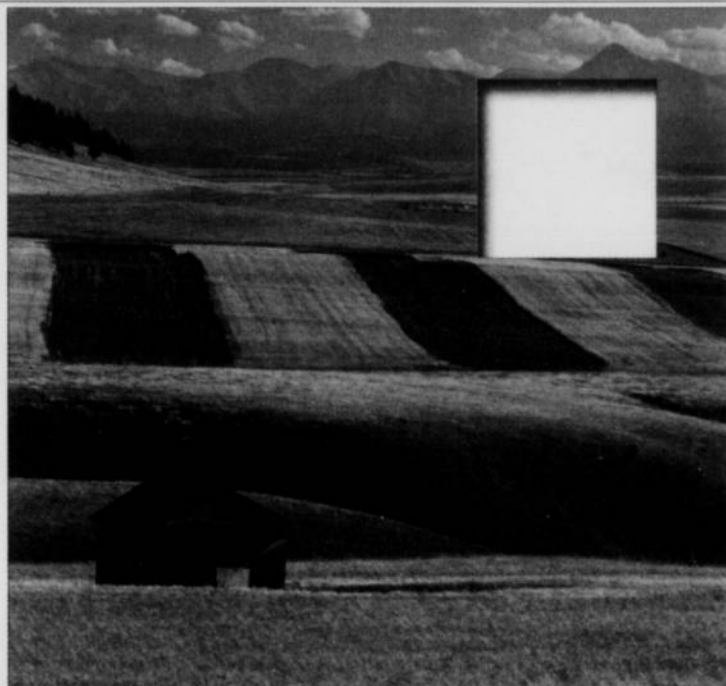
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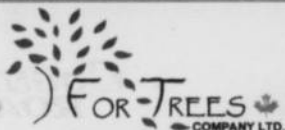


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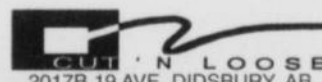
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None of these route options have been approved. Your input is critical to identifying the route with the lowest overall impact.

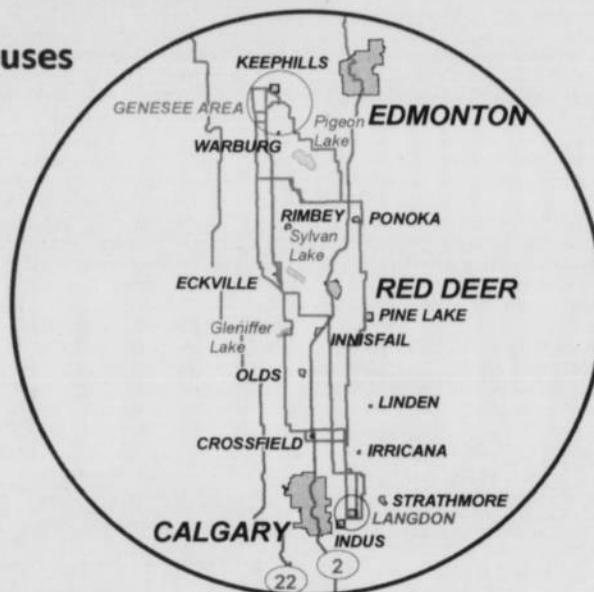
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### Please join us at an open house listed below.

Our representatives will be available at the open houses to share information, gather your input and respond to any questions or concerns you may have. We will also have poster boards with project information for you to review.

If you would like more information about this project including details and maps prior to attending an open house, please visit our website at [www.albertaelectricityfuture.ca/westernline](http://www.albertaelectricityfuture.ca/westernline) or contact us and we will mail you information.



The potential red route options in the map above are only preliminary and are intended to provide a focus for stakeholder input. Through the consultation process we may identify new routes or portions of routes for consideration. **None of these options have been approved.** If approved, AltaLink will build only one line.

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Wednesday, February 17	Crossfield	4 – 8 p.m.	Crossfield Community Centre 901 Mountain Avenue
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Monday, February 22	Olds	4 – 8 p.m.	Olds College Alumni Building 4500 50 Street

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# Teens off to games

TAMARA CUNNINGHAM  
Didsbury Review

Two high school students have been bumped up to provincial play at the 2010 Alberta Winter Games and they have no idea how they did it.

Mathew Johnson and Sawyer Topping, 14-year-old athletes from Didsbury High School, are the latest selects for the games, Feb 4-7.

They tried out against a legion of skilled volleyball players in Calgary last November for a spot on the Zone 2 team and won.

It's hard for Topping to believe. "When I heard, I was so surprised. I mean I don't think I'm even very good at sports," he said, grinning.

"I wouldn't be able to tell you why they picked me."

Topping started playing volleyball on a whim three years ago, when he saw a well-liked coach was taking over the junior team. Johnson and he both signed up for a fun experience and stayed on for the love of competition and team building. Now the duo is hoping to carry on towards a U-18 or college team.

Johnson, who was equally baffled he made the team, hopes this opportunity springboards him onto a college team. He knows making the roster will be tough and this may give him the necessary edge.

Johnson also hopes a spot on the provincial team gives him a chance to do Didsbury proud.

He and Topping have been meeting with 10 other players each week in Cochrane to get ready for the tournament in Cold Lake and Bonnyville.

"We have some great players and we've really come together since we were all picked last November," Topping said.

"I think we are going to do well. I just have to remember to leave all my bad habits off the courts."

The two students aren't the only Didsbury High School athletes residents will be able to cheer for at the 2010 Alberta Winter Games.

Fifteen-year-old Nic Rudy and Courtney Missikewitz, 14, will be representing Zone 2. Rudy will be competing in archery, with his sights trained on gold, while Missikewitz readies her rink for the curling match.



## Who do you know...

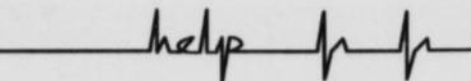
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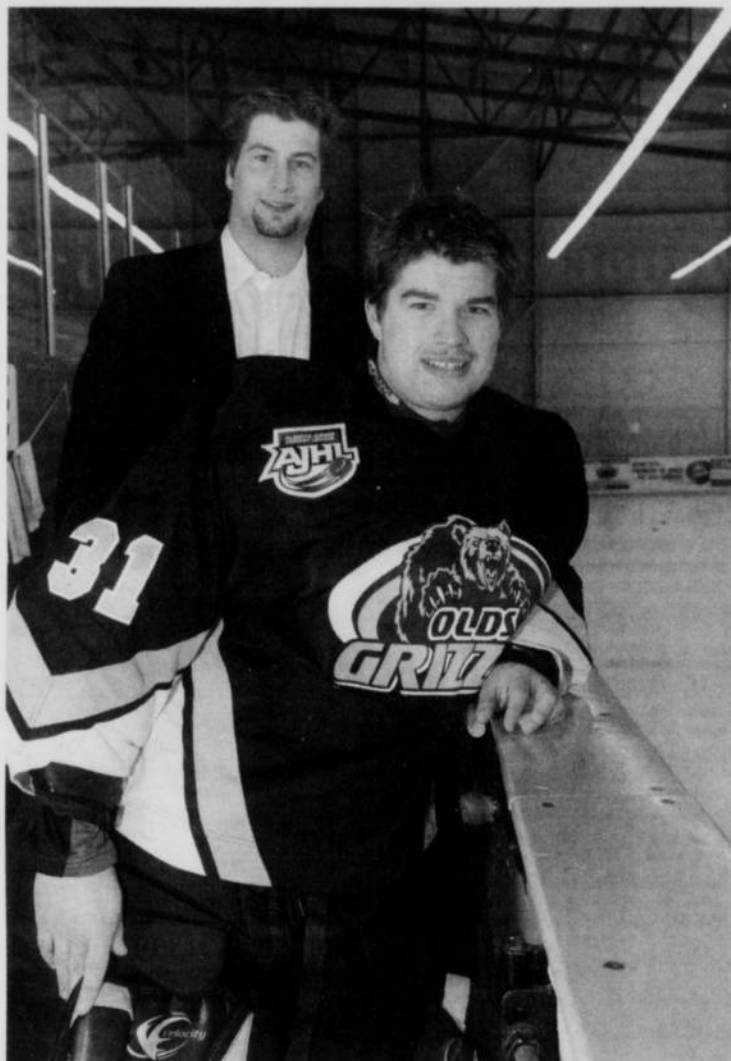
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Brett and Brayden Hopfe are sharing the same bench this year with the Olds Grizzlys

## Thicker than water

*Sport brings brothers together*

BY TAMARA CUNNINGHAM  
Didsbury Review

It was a high moment for 8-year-old Brett Hopfe when he learned he was about to have a baby brother - finally, he had someone to put in net.

"I can remember being pretty excited about that ... when he turned two I started taking him out to the backyard to play hockey," said Brett, now 27 years old.

"He was always the goalie and I was always shooting at him."

Recently, Brett - an assistant coach for the Alberta Junior Hockey League's Olds Grizzlys - was all grins as he watched that same brother, Brayden, post his first career shutout against the Bonnyville Pontiacs.

"I guess all those welts paid off," he said.

On January 16 the Olds Grizzlys' backup goalie kicked out 30 shots to secure a 4-0 win over the Pontiacs. It was a big milestone for Brayden, who has his eyes firmly set on landing an NCAA scholarship, and it meant a lot to have his big brother there to witness it.

"I just looked over and he had this big smile on his face. It was cool to have him there on the bench," Brayden said.

"We always talked about playing together. Him coaching me is the closest we've gotten to it."

The elder Hopfe brother was one of the Grizzlys' star players between 2002 and 2004. In the two years he played a total of 108 games compiling totals of 64-57-131, but also supplied a physical presence and an well-rounded game. His proficiency at the Junior A level led to a scholarship at Robert Morris University.

During his four seasons with the Colonials, he played 127 games and scored 27 goals, added 31 assists for 58 points. Once done his college career, he signed with the Laredo Bucks of the Central Hockey League but his pro aspirations ended in 2008 when he blocked a slapshot with his hand - shattering the bone.

"It was the recovery time that did it. I was on a farm team, where guys are always coming in and out ... and I got bumped," he said.

He gave up the minors to come back to Didsbury, where he was offered a position by head coach Kevin Hasselberg as assistant coach with the Grizzlys. He grabbed at the chance.

It's not only an opportunity to give back to the team that helped him to the NCAA - but to be involved in hockey with his brother.

"I was pretty excited when he told me that he was thinking about taking the position," Brayden said.

As for the pressure of having not only his brother on the bench but also one of the team's all-time best players back in the fold?

"Nah. He was one of the best players when he was here but I don't focus on that. I just try to do the best that I can."

Part of that will be getting the start tonight in Okotoks against the Oilers while regular starter Marc Boulanger sits out the final game of a three-game suspension. Heading into this week (including a game after the Review's press deadline on Monday) the 6-foot-1, 200 lb. puck-stopper was sitting with a record of 6-11-1, with a goals against average of 3.44 and a save percentage of 89. He's also chipped in with a pair of assists.

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# Colts run wild

TAMARA CUNNINGHAM  
Didsbury Review

The Mountainview Colts were burning hot this weekend as they capped off their third straight win this month.

In three games, the Colts were able to shed a sour January start and keep a few points ahead of the Banff Academy Bears, a team clawing for the Colts' fourth place playoff spot.

Days after beating Ponoka 4-2, the Colts hit the ice in an offensive explosion against the Rimbey Rock on Saturday night.

Forwards J.R. Defoe and John Midtdal each scored a power play in the first period for a 2-0 lead, while right wing, Taylor Olsen scored twice for 4-0 in the second period.

"That first bit was really sloppy with us running around in our own end zone," Olsen said.

"We just put our foot on their throats and kept going at 'em to tighten things up

in our own zone and bring up our goals."

The Colts were able to keep Rimbey hemmed into their end zone until the last half of the second period, when forward Conner Sibbet broke away to score on Devon Dell.

**"We came in here with an attitude like we were going to win. We put our noses to the grindstone and made it happen."**

BOBBY WILLS  
Colts centre

It was a one time shot.

The Colts took the game back, scoring another two goals - by Taylor Olsen and Ryan Miller - for the 6-1 win.

"We came in here with an attitude like we were going to win. We put our noses to

the grindstone and made it happen," said centre Bobby Wills, who assisted two goals.

Saturday's hockey match was the Mountainview Colts' annual charity game for Rural Ride for Dad, an organization that raises money for prostate cancer research.

Knowing each puck netted sent \$800 to the charity was good incentive to score, Olsen said.

Nearly \$5,000 from goals alone, will be heading to the organization.

"Banff is also coming up close behind so that is fire under us for sure to start winning some games," he said.

The team played High River Flyers Sunday afternoon and trotted to an 8-3 win. Dave Savage, Ryan Miller and John Midtdal tore into the first period to give the team a 3-1 lead. While Jason Edwards, J.R. Defoe, Taylor Olsen, Bobby Wills and Curtis Smith maintained the Colts' edge with another five goals.

The play is beginning to



Tamara Cunningham/Didsbury Review

Mountainview Colts forward, John Midtdal swings in behind the net as a Rimbey Rock member gains behind him.

have a playoff flavour, said coach, Cliff Murphy.

"All the things we've worked on are being stepped up. We are playing real good positional hockey ... and by playoff time we are going to hit our peak,"

he said.

Goalie Devon Dell, who guarded the net Saturday, and Jason Arnason have both helped keep the team afloat.

"We have really, really good goaltending no matter

which guy it is and every chance we play to win, they help us do that," Murphy said.

Arnason and Dell are both listed in the Heritage Junior Hockey League's top 20 goalies statistically.

## Didsbury donations add up Fundraising goal assured to be reached

TAMARA CUNNINGHAM  
Didsbury Review

Cash raised by residents in the last two weeks will be packed off to Haiti this month.

Over \$6,000 was handed over to organizers before Friday, although money

could still trickle in over the weekend.

Businesses in the community that agreed to match fundraising monies, will give approximately \$13,000 but will donate an additional \$13,000 out of goodwill, said Rod Neufeld, an organizer for the fundraiser.

"We asked businesses what would happen if we didn't reach the \$26,000 cap and all of them agree whatever they gave should still go to Haiti," he said.

That means by the time the donations are given to Samaritan's Purse and matched by the federal government, the number

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On February 23, 1951 he married Dorothy Grace Chandler and together they raised 4 sons; Randy, Robert, Darrell and Mike. The whole family was actively involved in their mixed farming operation.

Art's other loves were watching hockey, rodeo, chuck wagons, and he was an avid bowler and dancer.

He passed away on Thursday, January 28 following a brief illness.

Art was predeceased by his wife Dorothy and an infant grandson.

He is fondly remembered by his sons, Randy and daughter-in-law Cindy, Robert and daughter-in-law Amy, Darrell and daughter-in-law Judy, and Mike and daughter-in-law Dawn, as well as 13 grandchildren and 6 great-grandchildren.

Funeral services were held at Zion Evangelical Missionary Church in Didsbury on Monday, February 1 at 1:00 p.m. Interment followed at the Olds Cemetery. Memorial donations may be made directly to Unit 4, Didsbury Hospital.

Heartland Funeral Services Ltd. Olds entrusted with arrangements. 403-507-8610. www.heartlandfuneralservices.com



Luft, Norman Glen



Norman Glen Luft of Fauquier, born April 8, 1930 in Didsbury, Alberta, passed away peacefully at Arrow Lakes Hospital, Nakusp, B.C. on January 29, 2010.

Norm grew up on the family farm in Cremona, Alberta. He met Joyce Holbrook at a dance in Water Valley and were married in Calgary in 1952. Norm and Joyce retired to Fauquier in 1984. Norm enjoyed being with his family and especially his grandchildren, giving boat rides in his boat and handing out treats and hugs.

He is survived by his loving wife of 57 years, Joyce, daughters: Barb (John), Judi (Brian) and Val (Dale), 9 grandchildren, 11 great grandchildren, 2 brothers and 1 sister.

A memorial service will be held on Thursday, February 4, 2010 at 2:00pm from Saddleback Community Church, Nakusp, B.C. with Pastor Bob Bashor officiating.

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**MIDWAY COMMUNITY WALKERS** Midway  
School will be open to anyone that would like to  
walk inside for exercise without the winter ele-  
ments. Open every school day 7:30-8:30am. For  
more info call 403-337-2888.

**PARENT LINK CENTER** Drop in play. FREE  
Playtime for Parents and Preschoolers  
(newborn to 6 yrs). Morning, afternoon and  
evening play-  
times

modate as many requests as possible, please keep  
submissions to 20 words or less. Please have your  
submissions in at least two weeks prior to the date  
of the event you are publicizing.

available at Didsbury Neighbourhood Place, bay  
2, 2030 17 Ave. Contact Linda 403-586-5466

**IF YOU LIKE TO QUILT** or would like to learn to  
quilt, come join us at the Church of God 1st &  
3rd Monday, 1 - 4 or 7 - 9:30 p.m. For more  
info call 403-337-8686 leave message.  
Everyone welcome.

**BABY DROP IN** @ Didsbury Neighbourhood  
Place from 9:30 to 11:00 on the 1st & 3rd  
Thursday of the month. A great opportunity to  
meet other new parents.

**DIDSBURY ELKS LODGE** supper meetings every  
2nd and 4th Thursdays. Supper at  
7:00 p.m. meeting at 8:00 p.m. Call 403-  
335-4655.

**SUPPER INVITATION** - The Didsbury Lions Club  
welcomes men & lady visitors at their supper  
meetings on the first and third Thursdays of  
each month, 6:45 p.m. at the 5-0 Centre.  
For information and to RSVP call 403-  
335-9173 or 403-335-4796.

**DIDSBURY NEIGHBOURHOOD PLACE**  
is a resource centre for the down, we  
provide information and referral serv-  
ices, community programming, FCSS,  
resource lending library and meeting space  
available for rent. Please call 403-335-8719.

**GIRL GUIDES OF CANADA** - For fun,  
friendship and adventure for girls and  
women of all ages! Join anytime.  
Leaders are needed for all units, no  
experience necessary. Ages: Sparks  
5/6, Brownies 7/8, Guides 9 - 11,  
Pathfinders 12 - 14, rangers 15 & up.  
Call Karen 403-556-6881 for more info.

**FRIDAYS** - Cribbage starts at 5-0 Club at  
7:00 pm. Tfn

**ARC SENIOR RV'ERS CLUB** - is looking  
for new members. No weekend camp-  
ing. For more information contact Jim  
403-289-8365 or Mary 403-932-5711.  
tfn

**MIDWAY SCHOOL** - We would like to  
welcome you to the midway community.  
We hope to provide you with some local  
treasures and information about midway.  
Contact Tanya @ 403-335-8862. tfn

**CANADIAN BLOOD SERVICE** Blood Donations  
will be held at Olds College Alumni Centre Mon.  
Feb. 1, 2010. 2:30 pm to 7:00 pm 49-4

**ROSEBUD HALL EVENTS** Free Swim Sunday Jan.  
17 & Jan. 31 at 1:00 pm. Followed by Potluck  
upper at the Rosebud Hall. AGM Meeting Jan. 21 at  
10 pm. Games Night Jan. 28 at 7:00 pm 2-4

**J.S. & DISTRICT KIWANIS MUSIC FESTIVAL**  
dry deadline date Feb. 1, 2010. 3-4

**ANTIQUIQUE & COLLECTABLES SHOW & SALE** Sat.  
Feb. 20 at the Didsbury Arena. Admission \$2.00. For  
tables call 403-305-7387. 5-7



**DELI DAILY  
LUNCH SPECIALS**

*Lunch Combos*  
**\$4.99**  
11 a.m. - 1 p.m.

**COMBO #1**  
2 pieces of chicken,  
wedges and 4 oz. salad

**COMBO #2**  
Chicken strips, wedges  
and dipping sauce

**COMBO #3**  
Chicken wings and wedges

**COMBO #4**  
Large soup and  
half sandwich

*\*Excludes weekends & holidays*

## Church Directory

The REVIEW is pleased to provide this Church Directory as a community service

**Anglican Church of Canada****St. Cyprian's**

2037 - 24th Ave. Didsbury - 403-335-4664  
Rector - Bev Bonnie S. Luft  
Sunday Worship 10:30 a.m.  
Sunday School at 10:30 a.m.  
Mid-week service every third Wednesday 9:30 a.m.  
St. Cyprian's is a small, friendly Christian  
Community who welcomes newcomers.  
Sunday School will start back in September.

**Knox United Didsbury**

1406 - 19th Avenue

Minister Nancy Nourse

Please join our church family for worship,  
10 a.m. each Sunday,  
Nursery Care available for infants and toddlers.  
Sunday school provided for ages 3-17.  
For information about mid-week programming for  
children, youth and adults please call 403-335-8373  
or see our website at www.knox-united.com.

**West Zion Mennonite Church**

South of Didsbury to sign - West 1.5 miles

Pastor Trevor Kriaka, info - 403-337-2020

Worship Service - 10:30 a.m.

Nursery available during service.

EVERYONE WELCOME!

**Berghal Mennonite Church**

Didsbury, Alberta

5km S of the Didsbury Overpass,

8km E on Berghal Rd.

Sunday School - 10:00 a.m.

Sunday Worship Service - 11 a.m.

Pastor: Mike Nimz

For more information ph. - 403-335-4451

**Redeemer Lutheran**

LUTHERAN CHURCH CANADA

1500 - 23 St. • Rev. Robert Mohrs

Church: 403-335-3161 / Res: 403-335-3656

Sunday School - 9:30 a.m. • Worship - 10:30 a.m.

Adult Bible Study Sunday - 9:30 a.m.

Holy Communion 1 & 3 Sunday 10:30 a.m.

Jr. & Sr. Youth, Women's & Seniors' Ministry Group

Small Group Bible Study meetings

throughout the week

**Mountain View Evangelical****Missionary Church**

14 km East of Didsbury Pastor Art Numan

Office: 403-335-4422

Morning Worship 11 a.m. • Sunday School 10 a.m.

For information concerning the weekly activities

please call the Church Office.

**St. Anthony's Catholic**

2030 - 24 Ave. Didsbury

For more information please contact

Claude Baril 403-335-3842

Catholic Women's League:

Wendy MacKenzie 403-335-8507

Knights of Columbus: Gary McNeil 403-335-8611

**Chinook Winds Christian Centre**

1710 - 14th Street Didsbury

SUNDAY WORSHIP - 10 a.m.

Dynamic Worship and Bible Teaching

Children's Ministry & Nursery Services

Ph/Fax: 403-335-3551 • Email: cwcc@atnet.com

Senior Pastors: Richard & Beth Kope

Associate Pastors: Corey & Erin Kope

Celebrating 25 years in Didsbury

Members of Ministers Fellowship International

**Zion Evangelical Missionary Church**

Corner Hwy. 382 & 20th Ave.

Phone: 403-335-3629 Web: www.zemc.org

Mike Morgan, Senior Pastor

John Reimer, Associate Pastor

(Life Groups & Worship)

Colin Creighton, Associate Pastor

(Global Connections & Youth)

Alison LeFebvre, Director of Youth Ministries

Christine Little, Director of Children's Ministries

Sunday Services

Sunday School for all ages 9:30am

Worship Service 10:45 a.m.

...with Children's Programs for up to Grade 6

## Clean sweep



Curtis Mousseau's rink takes a moment to relish their win at the annual men's bonspiel January 29-31. The team - Curtis Mousseau, Rick Phillips Jr, Al Crawford and Shaun Waite - took top spot in the C class event.

The Didsbury Curling club rocked its annual men's bonspiel over the weekend.

Twelve teams turned out for the event, which saw three rinks secure top spot in A, B and C classes.

The win for the A event went to Shane Parcels' rink, which includes Shane Parcels, Carter Lautner, Karsten Carriere and Stephen Hood, while Rick Phillips Sr.'s rink took first in the B class. The team is made up of Rick Phillips Sr., Sean Phillips, Bruce Kemmere and Terry Neufeld. The C event winners were Curtis Mousseau's rink with Rick Phillips Jr., Al Crawford, Curtis Mousseau and Shaun Waite.



## SEE YOU IN CHURCH THIS SUNDAY

Shop the 2010 Great Giveaway  
Jan. 3 - Feb. 13, 2010  
Free Groceries for a Year & many more prizes

## 10% TUESDAY FEB. 2

HOURS: Mon - Fri 8 am - 9 pm Sat, Sun & Holidays 8 am - 6 pm  
Sunday, January 31 to Saturday, February 6 403-335-9595



# FRONT PORCH REALTY

**81 Westpoint Drive**  
Beautiful home in move-in condition, vaulted ceilings, hardwood, gas fireplace, corner pantry, main floor laundry, 2 decks.



**\$329,900**

**1909 - 17 Street**

Lovely maintenance free living, new hardwood floors, new paint and baseboards, 2 bedrooms, main floor laundry, double garage, reasonable HOA fees



**\$244,900**

**1404 - 22 Street**

Beautiful 2 year old home, fully finished, 4 bedrooms, 3 baths, jetted tub, hardwood, kitchen island, walk-in closet in master, just move on in!



**\$339,900**

**101 - 104, 1114 Nanton St.**  
**Carstairs**



**\$783,900**

Super 4-plex investment property! Each unit has 3 bedrooms & 2 bath, built in 2004, fully rented, on separate condo titles, good return on these newer units.

**2029 - 22 Ave.**



A real character! 3 bedrooms, main floor laundry, several newer windows, original fir floors, wrap-around veranda, single garage

**\$218,900**

**3.01 Acres Ready For Your Dream Home!**



Drilled well, fenced perimeter, centrally located just 7 minutes west of Olds

**\$214,900**

**2125 - 25 Avenue**



Great newer family home that is affordable, 3 bedrooms, 2 baths, corner gas fireplace, covered front entry, tiered rear deck, nice area

**\$289,900**

**#67, Didsbury Mobile Home Park**



**\$113,900**

Beautiful home on rented lot, 3 bedrooms, 2 baths, vaulted ceilings, open floor plan, 1216 sq ft, only 3 years old, reasonable lot rent.



THE  
PORCH  
BOYZ

Take the "plunge" and "sink" your teeth into the market!

**105 Morris Place**

Wow! 1300 sq ft, 4 bedrooms, 3 baths, hardwood up and down, 9' ceilings up and down, in-floor heat in basement, gas fireplace, granite counter tops, great view to the west



**\$479,900**

**4 Westwood Drive**

Terrific family home in a great location, 5 bedrooms, 2 1/2 baths, main floor laundry, jetted tub, fireplace, covered rear deck, backs onto farmer's field, reasonably priced!



**\$279,900**

**2114 - 21 Avenue**

THE BROWNSTONES OF DIDSBURY

Nothing like this in Didsbury! Gorgeous 3 storey units, 3 bedrooms, 2 1/2 baths, hardwood, gas fireplace, single garage, no condo fees! Only 2 units left.

Starting at **\$314,900** including GST



**Mobile to be Moved**



1984 unit, open plan, 2 large bedrooms, 2 baths, large addition with wood stove, vaulted ceiling, over 1500 sq ft of living space

**\$39,900**

**2102 - 20 Street**



Great commercial opportunity! 5 commercial lots on busy mainstreet in Didsbury, 130' x 130' total

**\$250,000**

**1918 - 16 Street**



Just move in and enjoy maintenance free living, 2 + 1 bedrooms, gas fireplace, granite countertops, newer tile floors and carpet, reasonable HOA fees

**\$239,900**

**1553 McAlpine Street, Carstairs**



Brand new home, 3 bedrooms, 2 baths, main floor laundry, vaulted ceilings, walk-through pantry, 9' basement, hardwood and more!

**\$372,869**

**12 Westhill Place**



Affordable 4 bedroom duplex, 1 1/2 baths, fully developed, huge back yard with room for garage, excellent location

**\$179,900**

**1901 - 14 Street**



Wow, beautiful 5 bedroom family home with lots of unique extras, 2 - 2 sided fireplaces, beautiful kitchen, amazing ensuite shower system, huge lot

**\$429,900**

**2143 - 22 Avenue**



Well built home in great location, 3 + 1 bedrooms, 2 baths, gas fireplace, hardwood, brick exterior, large lot, single garage

**\$289,900**

**39 Meadowview Court**



Let your tenant help pay the mortgage! 3 bedrooms, 2 baths, vaulted ceiling, gas fireplace, self contained 2 bedroom basement suite, large double garage, big lot

**\$359,900**

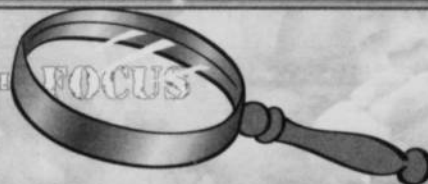
**18 Valarosa Cove**



Brand new and Beautiful! over 1600 sq ft, hardwood, gas fireplace, open plan, 9' ceilings, 3 bedrooms, 2 1/2 baths, main floor laundry, walk-out basement, and much more!

**\$324,900**

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Thanks to all who have given towards the Haiti relief fund at the town office.

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